

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the above-referenced application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) An optical head comprising:

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- (a) a light source for emitting a light beam to be irradiated to an optical recording medium as an incident light beam;
 - (b) a hologram element for receiving a reflected light beam generated by reflection of said incident light beam on said medium to generate at least two diffracted light beams for focusing error detection and at least two diffracted light beams for tracking error detection; and
 - (c) an optical detector for detecting the at ~~least~~ least two diffracted light beams for focusing error detection and the at least two diffracted light beams for tracking error detection;

said detector including a first receiving surface for receiving the at least two diffracted light beams for focusing error detection and a second detection surface for receiving the at least two diffracted light beams for tracking error detection;

each of said first and second receiving surfaces being divided into receiving regions;

the at least two diffracted light beams for focusing error detection being received at said receiving regions of said first receiving surface;

the at least two diffracted light beams for tracking error detection being received at said receiving regions of said second receiving surface;

wherein said hologram element has diffraction gratings divided by at least one division line, said gratings having different grating patterns and at least one of said grating patterns being non-linear and having an offset center with respect to another of said grating patterns, and wherein the at least two diffracted light beams for focusing error detection and the at least two diffracted light beams for tracking error detection are generated by said gratings of said element.

Q4 2. (Original) The head according to claim 1, wherein said hologram element has a property of selectively exhibiting a diffraction grating function according to a polarization direction of said reflected light beam.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Original) The head according to claim 1, wherein said hologram element has a first diffraction grating on a surface of said element and a second diffraction grating on an opposite surface thereof.

5. (Original) The head according to claim 1, wherein at least said light source and said optical detector are located in a package having a positioning mechanism;
and wherein said package is mounted on a base using said positioning mechanism.

6. (Original) The head according to claim 5, wherein said base has a hole into which said package is inserted;

and wherein an inner wall of said hole is substantially equal in shape and size to an outer wall of said package;

Q4 and wherein said inner wall of said hole has an engaging part and said outer wall of said package has a corresponding engaging part;

and wherein said package is positioned at a desired location with respect to said base by engagement between said engaging parts of said hole and said package.

7. (Currently amended) The head according to claim 6, further comprising a heat dissipation member for ~~dissipate~~ dissipating heat generated by said light source.

8. (Currently amended) An optical head comprising:

- (a) a light source for emitting a light beam to be irradiated to an optical recording medium as an incident light beam;
- (b) a hologram element including gratings divided by at least one division line, said gratings having different patterns, and wherein at least one of said patterns is non-linear and has an offset center with respect to another of said grating patterns;

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said element receiving a reflected light beam generated by reflection of said incident light beam on said medium, thereby generating at least two diffracted light beams for focusing error detection and at least two diffracted light beams for tracking error detection by using said gratings;

- (c) an optical detector for detecting the at ~~least~~ least two diffracted light beams for focusing error detection and the at least two diffracted light beams for tracking error detection;

said detector including a first receiving surface for receiving the at least two diffracted light beams for focusing error detection and a second detection surface for receiving the at least two diffracted light beams for tracking error detection;

each of said first and second receiving surfaces being divided into receiving regions;

the at least two diffracted light beams for focusing error detection being received at said receiving regions of said first receiving surface;

the at least two diffracted light beams for tracking error detection being received at said receiving regions of said second receiving surface.

9. (Original) The head according to claim 8, wherein at least said light source and said optical detector are located in a plastic package having a positioning mechanism;
and wherein said package is mounted on a base using said positioning mechanism.

Q4 10. (Original) The head according to claim 9, wherein said base has a hole into which said package is inserted;
and wherein an inner wall of said hole is substantially equal in shape and size to an outer wall of said package;
and wherein said inner wall of said hole has an engaging part and said outer wall of said package has a corresponding engaging part;
and wherein said package is positioned at a desired location with respect to said base by engagement between said engaging parts of said hole and said package.

11. (Currently amended) The head according to claim 10, further comprising a heat dissipation member for ~~dissipate~~ dissipating heat generated by said light source.

12. (Currently amended) An optical head comprising:

- (a) a light source for emitting a light beam to be irradiated to an optical recording medium as an incident light beam;
- (b) a hologram element including a first diffraction grating on a surface of said element and a second diffraction grating on an opposite surface thereof, said first and second gratings having different patterns, and wherein at least one of said patterns is non-linear and has an offset center with respect to the other diffraction grating pattern;

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said element receiving a reflected light beam generated by reflection of said incident light beam on said medium, thereby generating at least two diffracted light beams for focusing error detection and at least two diffracted light beams for tracking error detection by using said first and second gratings;

- (c) an optical detector for detecting the at least least two diffracted light beams for focusing error detection and the at least two diffracted light beams for tracking error detection;

said detector including a first receiving surface for receiving the at least two diffracted light beams for focusing error detection and a second detection surface for receiving the at least two diffracted light beams for tracking error detection;

each of said first and second receiving surfaces being divided into receiving regions;

the at least two diffracted light beams for focusing error detection being received at said receiving regions of said first receiving surface;

the at least two diffracted light beams for tracking error detection being received at said receiving regions of said second receiving surface.

13. (Original) The head according to claim 12, wherein at least said light source and said optical detector are located in a plastic package having a positioning mechanism;

and wherein said package is mounted on a base using said positioning mechanism

14. (Original) The head according to claim 12, wherein said base has a hole into which said package is inserted;

Q4 and wherein an inner wall of said hole is substantially equal in shape and size to an outer wall of said package;

and wherein said inner wall of said hole has an engaging part and said outer wall of said package has a corresponding engaging part;

and wherein said package is positioned at a desired location with respect to said base by engagement between said engaging parts of said hole and said package.

15. (Currently amended) The head according to claim 14, further comprising a heat dissipation member for ~~dissipate~~ dissipating heat generated by said light source.
